

Zoning Board Minutes

**August 28, 2008
4:00 pm**

Chairman George Nodland called the meeting of the Stark County Zoning Board to order. Members present were George Nodland, Ron Hauck, Leo Kuntz, Frank Emch, Duane Grundhauser, Sue Larson, Joe Frenzel and Carson Steiner. Also present were States Attorney, Tom Henning, Zoning Director, Diane Brines, and Auditor Alice Schulz.

Chairman Nodland made a request to reverse the two items on the agenda. Ron Hauck made a motion to move the request by Norbert Sickler to the top of the agenda. Leo Kuntz seconded. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

Frank Emch made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 4, 2008 meeting. Duane Grundhauser seconded. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

A request was made by Norbert Sickler for a zoning change from Agriculture to Residential Agriculture. The property is located in the W2NE4 of Section 33 Township 139 Range 96. Mr. Sickler said the approach and trees are already there. Joe Frenzel made a motion to call for a public hearing Duane Grundhauser seconded. All voted Aye and the motion carried. The public hearing will be held at the next meeting on Monday, October 6.

A public hearing was held for a request made by Neal Messer for GTL Energy Ltd for a zoning change from Agriculture to Industrial with a special use permit for the processing and beneficiation of coal. The property is located in the SW4 of the NW4 of Section 20, Township 139, Range 98. After a presentation made by Neal Messer the following citizens spoke in opposition of the zoning change; Beth Hurt, Brittany Huggins, Caroline Heidt, Nancy Eberts, Mary Hodell, Neal Tangen, Linda Weiss, Frank Hurt, Laura Tangen, Derrick Braaten, Gordon Krance, and Craig Buckman. Chairman Nodland closed the public hearing.

Joe Frenzel made a motion for the Planning and Zoning Board to recommend to the County Commission to approve the request subject to the company obtaining all the required approvals and permits from the State Agencies responsible, for the States Attorney to also review the application and make sure it complies with all county ordinances. Sue Larsen recommended the company have a public meeting. Joe Frenzel withdrew his motion and Carson Steiner withdrew his second. Joe Frenzel made a motion for the Planning and Zoning Board to recommend to the County Commission to approve the request subject to the company obtaining all the required approvals and permits from the State Agencies responsible, for the States Attorney to also review the application and make sure it complies with all county ordinances and that the company hold a public information meeting in South Heart. Carson Steiner seconded. Roll call vote. Steiner Aye, Frenzel Aye, Larsen Aye, Hauck Nye, Kuntz Aye, Emch Nye, Grundhauser Aye, Nodland Aye. Motion carried.

Duane Grundhauser moved to adjourn. Joe Frenzel seconded.